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**Paternal Duty.**—The father who plunges into business so deeply that he has no leisure for domestic duties and pleasures, and whose only intercourse with his children consists in a brief word of authority, or a surly lamentation over their intolerable expensiveness, is equally to be pitied and to be blamed. What right has he to devote to other pursuits the time which he has allotted to his children? Nor is it any excuse to say he cannot support his family in their present style of living without this effort. I ask, by what right can his family demand to live in a manner which requires him to neglect his most solemn and important duties? Nor is it an excuse to say that he wishes to leave them that competence which he desires! Is it an advantage to them to be relieved from the necessity of labor!—Besides, is money the only desirable bequest that a father can leave to his children? Surely well-cultivated intellects, hearts sensible to a domestic affection; the love of parents, and brethren, and sisters; a taste for home pleasures; habits of order, regularity and industry; a hatred of vice and vicious men; and a lively sensibility to the excellence of virtue—are as valuable a legacy as an inheritance of property.—Simple property, purchased by the loss of every habit which render could that property a blessing.

Wayman,

**Do Good.**—Thousands of men breathe, move and live—pass off the stage of life, and are heard of no more. Why? They do not a particle of good in the world, and none were blessed by them, none could point to them as the instrument of their redemption; not a word they spoke could be recalled, and they perished; their light went out in darkness, and they were not remembered more than the insect of yesterday. Will you thus live and die, O man immortal? Live for something.—Do good, and leave behind you a monument of virtue that the storm of time can never destroy. Write your name in kindness, love and mercy on the hearts of thousands who come in contact with you year by year; you will never be forgotten. No, your name, your deeds, will be as legible on the hearts you leave behind, as the stars on the brow of evening. Good deeds will shine as the stars of heaven.

[Dr. Chalmers.

**The Soul's Capacity.**—The capacity of the visible heavens is a problem in speculative science,

from the approximate solution of which the daring intellect of man has not altogether shrunk; but what mind has presumed to ascertain the circumference of the soul's wonderful comprehension! The boundary lines of distinct knowledge which it may not pass, while it is the tenant of a mortal and dust-wedded body, are no barriers to its mighty aspiration; which transcends them, further than the swift rays of the sun transcend its atmosphere; and go out into the profound, questioning the unseen orbs of their nature and destiny. Beyond this, they stretch away their subtle flight, even up towards the throne of the Infinite himself, and vex themselves with vast, but vain desires to "find out the Almighty unto perfection!"

**Beautiful Extract.**—The late eminent judge, Sir Allen Park, once said at a public meeting: "We live in the midst of blessings until we are utterly insensible of their greatness, and of the source whence they flow. We speak of our civilization, our arts, our freedom, our laws, and forget entirely how large a share is due to Christianity. Blot Christianity out of man's history, and what could his laws have been—what his civilization? Christianity is mixed up with our very being and our very life; there is not a familiar object around you which does not wear a different aspect, because the light of Christian love is on it. Not a law which does not owe its truth and gentleness to Christianity—not a custom which cannot be traced, in all its holy and healthful parts, to the Gospel."

## AN ARGUMENT FOR ADVERTISING

We saw a paragraph in a Virginia Paper to this effect: A gentleman went into a printing office to examine an exchange paper coming from a place some fifty or a hundred miles distant, with the view to the name of some lawyer there to whom he might confide the transaction of pressing importance. And after running his eye carefully over the paper he laid it aside, and remarked—Well I can't find the name of a single attorney in that paper and any member of the profession at that place could have obtained fifty dollars by having a card in the paper, as I would willingly have paid that amount rather than make the trip at this particular time, let everybody advertise and everybody will be certain to do good business.

**Noise and bustle of city life!** It is laughable to see these little one-horse island towns "take on." Madison is so old and dozy, that every time a wheelbarrow or milk-wagon crosses a street, the inhabitants run to the door and adjust their leather spectacles to have a good look. One of our dray men, made enough here to retire from active life, removed to Madison, as being the quietest place in the State; he took his old dray along and we learn that for days and weeks whole

crowds of the inhabitants swarmed around to stare at the funny wagon.—The drayman loaned it once to some old fogey to take his family out "pleasure riding." The old fellow was puzzled to know the use of the trails, but he finally concluded they must be a kind of extra shafts, to be used on great occasions, when it was desirable to work double.

And so, accordingly, he hitched up a horse in the shafts, and a yearling steer in the trails, standing tail to tail—the one to pull and the other to back.

The family held their heads up for some time; afterwards, all were denominated "the aristocracy," on account of taking such a swell.

## Good News for Cotton Planters.

A new and valuable invention for picking cotton, which has been but recently patented, will be on exhibition to-day. The machine is warranted to pick one thousand lbs. per day, and is destined to work a revolution in the cotton regions.

[New Orleans Delta.

## TAKE A PAPER FOR YOUR WIFE.

A friend, says an exchange, not long since, told us a story in relation to one of our subscribers which contains a good moral for husbands, and also furnish an example for wives which is not unworthy of imitation under similar circumstance.

The subscriber referred to, says our friend in the presence of his wife, said that it had been his intention to call at the office, pay up his arrears, and discontinue his paper.

His wife very promptly asked: "Why do you intend to discontinue the paper?"

"Because," said the husband, "I am so much away from home on business, and have so little time to read, there seems little use of my taking a paper."

"Yes," replied she, "it may be of little use to you, but it is great use to me. I remain at home while you are gone.—I wish to know what is going on in the world. If you discontinue the paper I will go straight to town and subscribe myself."

As the paper has not been discontinued, we suppose the wife's reasoning was conclusive. The moral of this incident must not be overlooked.

**What is the difference between an auction and sea sickness?** One is a sale of effects—the other, effects of sale.

**In becoming the 'lion' of a party does a man necessarily have to make a beast of himself?**

## BUSINESS DIRECTORY

WILSON VERNON, }  
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## MERCHANTS,

No. 6 Front Row, over Macham & Galbraith's,  
MEMPHIS, TENN.

Particular attention paid to Storing, Shipping and selling Cotton. Charges 50 cts per bale.

All cotton sent to us will be covered by insurance, unless otherwise instructed. apr. 14 '56-n124.

## NOTICE!

All persons indebted to the late firm of CLARKE & CALDWELL, who do not come forward and pay up their accounts and notes, will be sued at the next term of the Circuit Court. This is fair warning, so don't complain when the Officer of the law calls on you. The partnership expired on the 1st day of January last, and it is time our business was closed up.

CLARKE & CALDWELL.  
apr 25th-n14

## NOTICE!

Mr. I. N. Weaver having withdrawn from the firm of P. B. Jones & Co. Carriage Makers, the undersigned will continue the business under the old name and style. They alone are authorized to settle any debts due the firm, and are responsible for all demands against the same.

P. B. JONES.  
J. R. BRODBACK.  
apr. 24 '56-n14-3w.

## NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

### WATCH AND CLOCK REPAIRER.

THE undersigned would respectfully announce to the Citizens of Panola and surrounding country, that he is prepared to repair Watches, Clocks, Jewelry, Accoricons, and musical instruments of every description, in neatest style.

Spoons and all kinds of silverware made to order. Cash paid for old gold and silver, or received as cash for work.

Work from a distance will receive strict and prompt attention. Shop south west corner public square.—Sign, Star. W. M. MARSHALL.  
Grenada Miss. apr. 24, '56-n14-6m.

DR. Wm. J. WRENN  
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